

Work Group 4 Outbrief: (Integration & Exercise Workshop)

Peacekeeping and Stability Operations
Training and Education Workshop 2013

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Integration and Exercise Workshop (IEW)

- What is the IEW?
- What did we come here to do?
- How did we do it?
- What did we take away?
- What are the next steps?

The IEW

- Brought together individuals interested in training and exercises from DoD, the (rest of) interagency, NGOs, and international partners as a means of improving civilian – military relationships and operations

What we came here to do

- Discuss major training and exercise initiatives to better align common mission interests
- Work together to improve preparedness for future operating environments
- Enhance relationships, increase understanding, and expand networks by identifying common goals, themes, and initiatives

How we did it

- 14 DoD, 9 interagency, and 4 collaboration forums* presented their mission, capabilities, and coordination processes as well as discussed their exercise and training needs.
- Focused on events that would benefit from enhanced training and exercise coalitions and partnerships.
- Concentrated on DOD high priority Inter agency exercise support.

*IETWG, NEP, ICEF, NESWG

What we took away

- Themes we should incorporate into future training scenarios
 - Food Security
 - Gender/Women Issues
 - Strategic Messaging (Global Health Risk Messaging)
- Cross Regional Threats
 - Health
 - Cyber
 - Complex Disasters
 - Conflict

What we took away

- Exercise planning considerations
 - Earlier engagement in planning cycle
 - Includes advisors and LNOs
 - Higher fidelity, earlier, in support requests
 - Review of planning assumptions (replication vs. play)
 - Thorough training for exercise participants
 - Increase use of tabletops
 - Increase availability/use of distributed participation in T&E planning and execution
 - Use central points to assist with identifying participants

What we took away

- Leverage exercises beyond the objectives
 - Improve job functions/awareness of capabilities
 - Highlight relationships and friction points
- Participant Surveys
 - Asked participants to rate the IEW in 9 categories
 - Included sections for additional comments
 - Vast majority indicated holding an annual IEW event is very beneficial for DoD and DoD partners

Next steps

- Communicate findings (needs/interests)
 - Review outcomes with ESG tri-chairs and ESG working group for incorporation in efforts and update IETWG leadership
 - Update DoD Interagency WG
- Determine how immediate takeaways can be incorporated into current/emerging initiatives
- Review IETWG/SOTEW relationships
- Incorporate design comments into 2014 IEW